HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Foley

A RESOLUTION honoring Richard Sheets on the occasion of his retirement from the Legislative Services Agency.

Whereas, Richard "Dick" Sheets, who has been an editorial assistant in the Office of Code Revision of the Legislative Services Agency since 1997, is retiring in 2011;

Whereas, Dick, a lifelong resident of Indiana, was active in the Boy Scouts and Air Explorers from childhood through high school, graduated from Columbus Senior High School in 1964, and graduated from Indiana University in 1971 with a double major in English and Journalism;

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Whereas, Dick served in the United States Army as a communications specialist and was stationed at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, and in Germany;

Whereas, Dick, who began working for the Columbus Republic daily newspaper during college summer breaks, returned to the Republic after graduating from IU and held a series of positions, first as sports writer, then as sports editor, and later as news editor and copy editor, spending a total of 22 full-time years at the Republic;

Whereas, Through his education and career in journalism, Dick developed a mastery of English grammar, style, and usage that he has used to great effect in nearly 14 years of editing the documents prepared by the Legislative Services Agency on behalf of the Indiana General Assembly;

Whereas, Dick's work in the Office of Code Revision has been unfailingly thorough, conscientious, and professional, and he has provided strong leadership to his fellow editorial assistants;

Whereas, Dick will be greatly missed by his friends and co-workers in the Legislative Services Agency;

Whereas, Dick is an individual of many interests and accomplishments, having served as a volunteer and coach in the Columbus Babe Ruth Baseball organization for many years — during which his team won the 1991 Babe Ruth 16-to-18-year-old State Championship and he was named USA Baseball/Topps 1993 Indiana Amateur Baseball Coach of the Year — and now being active as a woodworker, stained glass window artist, antique collector, and genealogy researcher; and

Whereas, Dick and his wife Pam have been married since 1972 and are the proud parents of a son, Shawn Sheets, and a daughter, Shannon Sheets, and the grandparents of two dearly loved grandchildren, five-year-old Riley and two-year-old Paige: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the

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General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representative
congratulates Dick Sheets on his retirement from the Legislativ
Services Agency, thanks him for his dedicated and outstanding servic
to the state of Indiana, and wishes Dick and his family much happines
in the coming years.
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 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Dick Sheets and his family.



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